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Pentagon: Jet caused mysterious vapor trail

Reuters

WASHINGTON A mystery vapor trail that was filmed off the coast of southern California and looked like a missile launch was likely caused by a plane, the Pentagon said Wednesday, closing its case on the incident.

"With all the information that we have gathered over the last day and a half about this condensation trail ... we have no evidence to suggest that this was anything other than a contrail caused by an aircraft," said Col. David Lapan, a Pentagon spokesman.

The image was caught on tape by a news helicopter at rush hour Monday evening. Video showed a billowing contrail apparently rising from the water about 35 miles west of L.A. and north of Catalina Island.

Contrails are created by streaks of condensation from the exhaust of jet aircraft flying at high altitudes.

Initial reports that the condensation trail appeared to be that of a missile prompted Defense Department officials to begin looking into the issue.

Lapan said the Pentagon had tried to determine "whether our activities—missile, rocket, etc.—were the source of thie"

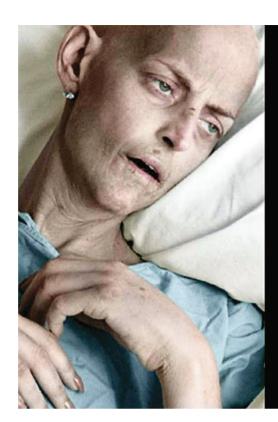
It took 36 hours to investigate because officials had to talk to the different agencies and services that might have been involved—the Navy, Air Force, the Missile Defense Agency, U.S. Northern Command and the North American Aerospace Defense Command as well as other agencies such as the Federal Aviation Administration.

"It's a matter of ... running down all of those different leads," Lapan said. "I mean, going out and having everybody scrutinize everything that they had in terms of information to be able to piece together.

"Without getting into specifics, we have looked at lots of data sources."

The ultimate conclusion?

"The Department of Defense ... is satisfied that the contrail was likely caused by an aircraft," Lapan said.



WARNING: Cigarettes cause cancer.

FDA HANDOUT IMAGES

Little box of horrors

Graphic overhaul in store for cigarette packs

Los Angeles Times

In the first major change to cigarette packaging in a quarter-century, the Food and Drug Administration said Wednesday it will require graphic warning labels that cover half a package's front and rear and the top 20 percent of all cigarette ads.

The labels will feature either drawings or photos that graphically illustrate the dangers of smoking and will be accompanied by text stating that smoking is addictive or that it kills. The pictures are not quite as grim as some used in other countries, but regulators hope they will be sufficiently frightening to keep young people from beginning to smoke and to strengthen the will of those who are attempting to quit.

"We want to make sure every person who picks up a pack of cigarettes knows exactly what the risk is they are taking," Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said at a news conference.

Current regulations require only a written warning on the edge of the cigarette pack and a

similar, small warning at the bottom of ads.

Federal agencies have been concerned that smoking rates, which declined from about 42 percent in 1965 to just under 21 percent in 2004, have remained flat since then. "That's bad news," Sebelius said. "Every day, 4,000 young people try cigarettes for the first time and 1,000 continue to smoke."

An estimated 450,000 Americans die prematurely as a result of smoking-related disease every year and 8 million suffer chronic diseases at a cost to the economy of \$100 billion annually. Most of those deaths are preventable. The goal of the new actions by the Department of Health and Human Services is to bring the smoking rate down to 12 percent by 2020.

A key step was the passage of "historic legislation" last June that, for the first time, gave the FDA power to regulate tobacco products. Since then, the agency has taken a number of steps, including banning the practice of giving out free samples and removing misleading terms such as "light," "low-tar" and "mild" from advertising.

POSSIBLE DESIGNS

The FDA is looking at 36 potential labels. The agency will select nine of them by June 22, and cigarette manufacturers must begin putting them on packages and advertising by Sept. 22.











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You deserve an Action Pile

My first job after college was as assistant to the editor of an alternative weekly, much like the Chicago Reader. This was in the pre-Internet glory days when prostitutes bought countless classified ads because, of course, of their firm belief that only an alternative press could hold our government and the mainstream press accountable.

My job was essentially secretarial, but every so often they'd throw me a bone and let me cover something no one else wanted to. Perhaps you've read my review of "Operation Dumbo Drop"? Hey, every great newsman has to begin somewhere, and so do people like me.

Anyhow, it was there that my boss, the editor whose work (and sometimes personal) life I was charged with keeping organized, introduced me to the greatest invention known to man—at least prior to the Shark Portable Steam Pocket.

He called it The Action Pile.

The Action Pile was a stack of papers on my desk where I would put all non-urgent letters, requests, invitations, etc., sent my editor's way. Then every several months, after he'd had a few martinis over lunch, we would attack The Action Pile.

We'd answer one or two of the most important letters and return a few others to The Action Pile for future consideration.

But by the time we looked at them, the bulk of the contents were way past their expiration date—half-baked pitches for stories on an election that had since passed, invites to an opening reception at a restaurant that had since closed, requests for internships from students who had since graduated and started families.

Those letters we would throw out.

At first, The Action Pile drove me, new to the working world and official adulthood, crazy. HOW COULD WE BEHAVE SO RECK-LESSLY? WHAT IF A PROSTITUTE HAD ACCIDENTALLY SENT US HER PAYMENT FOR HER AD?

But over time, I noticed a funny thing happened. Nothing. Nobody ever called to complain. Nobody ever got into trouble. No lives were ruined.

And most importantly, a solid paper came out each week—even when I was entrusted with the review of "Dunston Checks In." ("The bad news for the talented Dunston," the 22-year-old me wrote, "is that from now on he'll be typecast as an orangutan.")

Today, the Action Pile is probably online—no longer the tragicomic visual it once was, at some points nearly blocking my view of the rest of the newsroom.

But in today's world—where everyone (yes, including me) is clamoring for everyone else's attention—The Action Pile must be 10 times as

And so with the holidays coming, with the onslaught of solicitations, invitations and other miscellany set to come your way, I'm here to ask: Isn't it time you started one?

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Lookin' fine, SHRINE

South Loop lounge building buzz and a reputation beyond the Chicago music industry scene

By Kyra Kyles | REDEYE

If The Shrine were a friend of yours, he or she would be insufferable.

Consider hanging out with someone who is effortlessly beautiful, cultured and mysteriously modest about a seemingly endless list of famous friends.

"Oh yeah," The Shrine might mention over casual cocktails. "I just hung out with EPMD, The Roots and Ludacris. And maybe I already mentioned this, but Drake dropped by the other night for a little while."

The South Loop-based club and lounge is emerging as a mandatory destination for movers and shakers on the hip-hop and entertainment scene. All the aforementioned artists, plus Common, Lupe Fiasco—who is appearing Sunday with aldermanic candidate Rhymefest—Devin Hester, LeBron "King" James and others have been to the ultra-modern lounge since it opened in summer 2009. It also is carving out a special niche as a place to see classic rap acts, including the recent reunion of Pete Rock and C.L. Smooth.

Industry insiders—including Vibe magazine Editor-in-Chief Jermaine Hall and Chicago nightlife freelance writer Amelia Levin—say the venue's focus on hip-hop nostalgia and neosoul is building buzz and a reputation beyond the Windy City. The guest and performer list places The Shrine on par with other must-attend nightspots in cities such as Washington, D.C., and L.A., club experts said. It has become a hot spot for stars who typically skip over Chicago nightlife, including hip-hop's man of the moment, Drake, who dropped by on a recent Thursday and partied with his entourage.

Hall calls the place a "beautiful spot." The Shrine's owner, Joseph Russo, describes the

inspiration behind the vibrant colorful artwork in the entryway and space-age looking VIP areas as "James Bond meets Africa."

The exterior of the building, a stark white with black-and-white signage, adds an element of artistry to the stretch of Wabash Avenue near Cermak Road otherwise dominated by a bustling Harold's Chicken and a White Castle. The cover is generally \$20 with "dressto-impress" enforced at one of two velvetroped doors on weekends.

At 18 months old, The Shrine, which draws the 20s-30s set, is fairly new to the South Loop area. Russo, however, is a longtime veteran of the Chicago scene. He co-founded Funky Buddha Lounge in the Warehouse District and launched hip-hop hangout Sinibar before closing it and taking a sabbatical in 2004.

"I decided to do something different with my life," Russo said. "I took a sabbatical, moved to Brazil and lived there for three years learning Portuguese. Then, I traveled through Africa to all the Portuguese-speaking countries."

During his self-imposed exile from Chicago nightlife, Russo stumbled upon the inspiration for his next venture. By 2009, he was back in the city overseeing the design he con-

ceived of as a lounge experience combined with a concert venue.

There are challenges to The Shrine's longevity, one of them: location. Russo says when he scouted the area three years ago, the South Loop was on the rise. That doesn't appear to be the case now, he said.

Levin, who writes for Nightclub and Bar Magazine, a trade publication, has said the venue will need proper promotion to continue prospering and needs to court clubgoers beyond the neighborhood itself.

Vibe magazine's Hall said a more exclusive air would add intrigue, similar to New York club Provocateur, where there is no guest list

FIRST LOOK

Did you know a documentary on The Shrine is in the works? Check out a first glimpse of "The Return of Cool" at **bit.ly/9PdfZZ**.

and, seemingly, no amount of money that will get you in if you are not invited or "recognized" at the door as a worthy party patron.

"The person who stands out front either knows you or doesn't," Hall said. "If Chicago clubs like The Shrine can adapt some of that exclusive formula, it will make an absolute difference in the number of stars who want to

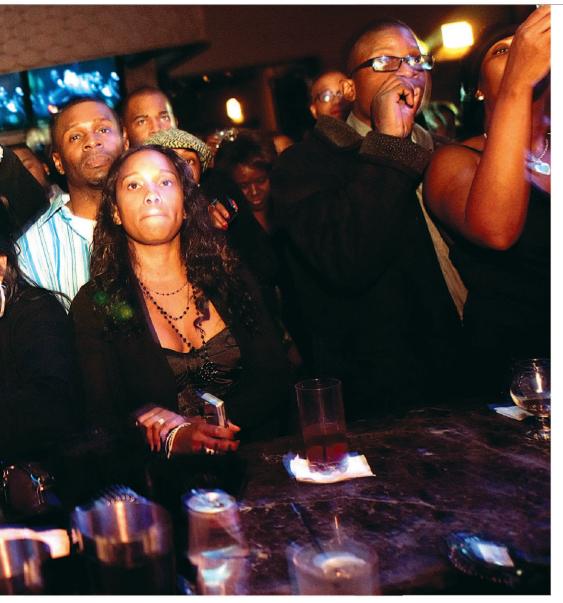




When The Shrine first opened its doors in summer 2009, owner Joseph Russo said the club made overtures to get artists from the classic hip-hop, neosoul and Afro-beat genres, urging them to give the venue a try. Fast-forward about 18 months, and The Shrine has attracted artists from those musical formats, plus what Russo dubs "classic contemporary artists." Check out some of the talent that has appeared at The Shrine:

(From left to right)
Common, Devin Hester,
Drake, LeBron James,
Ludacris, Lupe Fiasco,
Raheem DeVaughn, Sean
Paul and Slick Rick









"Both our events are musically driven," club promoter Marques Dixon said of G.O.O.D. Music Fridays, a weekly party series, and the more intimate Tuesday night events that have featured artists including Chicago's own GLC - a frequent Kanye West collaborator-and DJ/producer

Russo's mission is to maintain The Shrine's rising reputation—and maybe even expand.

Prince Paul of De La Soul fame.

"I believe The Shrine will turn into a Chicago institution," Russo said. "We're dedicated and have been doing what we started out to do for the last year in a half. We're in a great place to open in other markets. You just might see a Shrine in another city." KKYLES@TRIBUNE.COM



-JOSEPH RUSSO, owner of The Shrine

get in the nightclub."

Talent booker and event coordinator Brandon Wynn doesn't mind The Shrine's somewhat isolated South Loop location and already feels it offers an exclusive air. He says it's "the only place" he hangs out in Chicago when it comes to night-

"It is beautiful," Wynn said of The Shrine, which he says he persuaded Drake to host for one night after his concert at the Chicago Theatre. RedEye was there, and observed Drake-clad in a plaid shirt—surrounded by a throng of modeltypes in black dresses, tapping furiously on their smart phones. Drake did not perform, but he waved to the packed place.

The club's cozier feel also fits into a popular trend, Levin said. And its sound system is topnotch.

"The acoustics of the room were designed for live music," Russo said.

"I like to stick to R&B and classic hip-hop," Russo explained. "I think the Waka Flocka Flames have their place in the rotation on the DJ set, but that's not our focus in terms of live shows."

Translation: More Gangstarr than Gucci Mane.

The result is a crowd typically made up of professionals ages 23-33 who enjoy eclectic music outside of the Top 40 and want to avoid the fights, or even shootings, that can plague or close some clubs.





ALSO SPOTTED AT THE SHRINE:

Heavy D, EPMD, Pete Rock and CL Smooth, Roy Ayers, The Roots, Talib Kweli, GLC, El DeBarge, Monica, R. Kelly, Jeremih, Das EFX, DJ Jazzy Jeff, Rhymefest, Skillz, Trey Songz, Nas and Damian Marley, Rakim, Julie Dexter, Peven Everett, Grand Puba, Raekwon

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CTA SEEKING BIDS TO SELL NAMING RIGHTS FOR RAIL LINES, BUS ROUTES AND MORE

Chicago Tribune

The Willis Tower used to be the Sears Tower. U.S. Cellular Field was once Comiskey Park. What's next? Your "I" stop?

Could be.

CTA President Rich Rodriguez announced Wednesday that the underfunded transit agency will go out for bids soon to sell naming rights to just about anything the agency owns.

That includes rail lines and stations, bus routes, retail concessions and special events. Even the venerable CTA logo will be on the auction block, Rodriguez said.

The transit agency expects to award corporate sponsorships by next spring, officials said. Rodriguez said the CTA will go out for bids next week to hire a corporate adviser who will help package the sponsorship opportunities.

"We want to find new ways to generate revenue, and we want to do so in a way that will enhance the experience of our riders for improvements, services and amenities," Rodriguez said.

But he and other CTA officials declined to offer any estimates on how much money the venture might generate.

"Providing 1.7 million rides every single day



said. "The question is, what's it worth?"

Savvy marketers will want some idea of how much bang they're getting for their investment, experts say. Marketers also would have to look past the "what-ifs" of having their brand name associated with the unpleasant realities of public transportation, which include unkempt stations, rail line breakdowns and potential crashes.

The CTA has so far tested the waters mostly by allowing civic groups and businesses to adopt rail stations. It recently concluded a \$3.9 million deal with Apple Inc. to refurbish the North/Clybourn Red Line stop, partly in exchange for a future naming-rights contract for the station, which is near a new Apple store.

The request for proposals the CTA will is-

sue next week does not contemplate changing the color designations of rail lines, officials said. That means potential corporate sponsors must agree to signage with a slash, such as the Blue Line/YOUR NAME HERE.

Rodriguez said the CTA will be sensitive to avoid naming rights that are in poor taste or at all questionable. So don't worry about seeing a Viagra Express or Miller Lite bus route on Rush Street.

Other transit agencies have sold naming rights to stations. Last year, New York's Metropolitan Transportation Authority sold the naming rights for a subway stop in Brooklyn for \$4 million to Barclays bank, whose name also will be on the nearby Barclays Center sports arena expected to open in 2012.

In the Chicago area, Metra officials said earlier this year that they are looking into selling naming rights to stations or lines to increase revenue.

While increasingly common, the renaming of local icons has met with some resistance. Many Chicagoans refuse to mouth the words "Willis Tower" or "U.S. Cellular Field," the redubbed names of Sears Tower and Comiskey Park.

But not all share those concerns.

Allen Sanderson, an economics professor at the University of Chicago, pointed to private sponsorships of pieces of Millennium Park, just about every gallery inside the Art Institute of Chicago and many other places, including almost every building on the U. of C. campus.

"I assume that Soldier Field, were it not for 9/11, would have been renamed by now," Sanderson said.

SUGGESTIONS FOR NEW NAMES

What's in a name? As the CTA solicits bids for corporate sponsorship, RedEye has invented a few potential stop-portunities the agency could explore. TRACY SWARTZ, REDEYE

Read more of Tracy's musings on all things CTA at **redeyechicago.com/goingpublic.**

THE CUBS-SOX RED LINE

Cubs and Sox fans, you have another matchup to settle. The Red Line serves both Wrigley and U.S. Cellular fields. The Sox have the most recent World Series title (2005) compared with the Cubs (1908), but the Cubs station is a bigger draw. The Addison station logged 2.3 million visits from January-September, compared with 1.3 million visits to the 35th-Sox station during the same period.

THE AMERICAN GIRL BUS STOP

On Michigan Avenue buses, there are announcements for a Water Tower Place exit but not specifically for the American Girl store. If American Girl sponsored the bus stop at Michigan Avenue and Chestnut Street near its store, it could have announcements, perhaps in Tom Petty's voice, directing customers to the shop. And American Girl already knows how to dress up a space.

THE MACY'S RED STAR LINE

There are several stores that could adopt the neighboring State/Lake Red Line station. Macy's could rename it the "Red Star" line to draw attention to its logo or the "Red Sticker" line to denote its deals. Borders could rename it the State/Lake "Read" Line. But if that corridor wants to ensure there are no protests about the name, "Marshall Fields" should appear somewhere in the title.

The North/Clybourn Red Line station is next to a new Apple store, and the company holds an option for naming rights. José M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE



The great debate

If all this talk about naming rights and station sponsorship sounds familiar, that's because it is. Here a few notable moments in the ongoing conversation about what we call the CTA. JIM WALSH, REDEYE

1997

The CTA launches its Adopt-A-Station program, giving businesses and community groups the opportunity to partner with the agency to spruce up stations.

2005

Consultants tell the CTA board it should consider selling naming rights as part of a study to identify ways to cut costs, streamline operations and raise revenue, the Tribune reports.

2006

When the Blue Line's 54/Cermak branch takes a new route, it takes a new name: The CTA renames it the Pink Line after Chicagoarea students send in submissions as part of a naming contest.

2009

Apple strikes a deal with the CTA regarding the North/Clybourn Red Line station. The company agrees to give the stop a face-lift in exchange for advertising consideration and a naming rights option.

THE NO. 2-'HIDE' PARK EXPRESS

If Playboy wanted to sponsor the line that drops off near its offices at 680 N.
Lake Shore Drive, it could rename the No. 2-Hyde Park Express bus the No. 2-"Hide" Park Express or the No. 2-Hyde Park Sexpress. The saucy-bilities are endless.

THE NO. UNO BUS

Several buses stop near Pizzeria Uno, but the iconic pizza place could sponsor its own line—the No. Uno. Food and drink are not to be consumed on the bus, but that wouldn't stop the pizzeria from making dough—unless wait times are too long.

CTA rehiring some laid-off workers

The CTA is rehiring almost half of the workers laid off earlier this vear because of budget cuts, agency officials said Wednesday. About 1,060 employees, most of them union members, were laid off by the CTA in February when it cut service to fill a budget gap. So far, the CTA has brought back about 400 employees, and 100 more are expected to be rehired in coming weeks. The rehiring is possible because other employees have retired or left the agency.

Sprint/Nextel service coming to subway

The CTA board approved a 10-year contract with Sprint/ Nextel to provide cellular service in the Red and Blue line subway tunnels Wednesday. Sprint/ Nextel joins AT&T, Verizon Wireless, U.S. Cellular, T-Mobile and Cricket in providing the service. Sprint/ Nextel will test its equipment for the next few months. with service expected to begin early next year, the CTA said.

CTA: Funding for Purple Line project found

The CTA said
Wednesday it has
identified potential
funding to overhaul
the viaducts under
the Purple Line at
Dempster, Greenleaf
and Grove streets.
The agency doesn't
currently have the
dollars for this project, and there's no
timetable for it.
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Sex offender sentenced to life in 3-year-old's slaying

Chicago Tribune

Convicted sex offender Scott Eby was sentenced to life in prison without parole Wednesday after pleading guilty to the 2004 brutal rape and murder of 3-year-old Riley Fox.

Before the sentence was handed down by Will County Judge Richard Schoenstedt, Eby began crying as the girl's mother, Melissa Fox, began her impact statement by saying, "You killed her."

Eby apologized and said he would give his life to take back what happened. Someone in the packed courtroom then yelled out, "Rot in hell," before walking out.

After the hearing, Eby's lawyer Michael Renzi said his client was surprised when Riley's father initially was charged with the heinous crime. He said Eby was in a panic and expected to be caught soon after the murder.

Eby has wanted to plead guilty for months and tried to kill himself at least once this year, the lawyer said.

Eby was arrested in May after DNA evidence linked him to the vicious slaying. He has since given a videotaped confession, an attorney briefed on the case has said.

Riley Fox was sleeping in her Wilmington living room on a June night six years ago when she vanished, her blanket still on the couch. She was found, bound with duct tape and sexually assaulted, in a nearby creek.

In the same creek, Will County investigators found shoes with Eby's name written in them. But they focused instead on Kevin Fox, Riley's father.

He was charged with murder and rape in October 2004 but was released after spending eight months in jail; DNA testing cleared him. A federal jury later awarded Kevin and his wife \$8 million.

VETERANS DAY

Veterans Day is Thursday. The following public services will be affected:

Schools: Many schools will be closed; check with local school offices.

Government offices: Most government buildings will be closed.

Postal service: Post office branches will be closed. There will be no mail delivery, except for Express Mail.

Courts: All courts will be closed, except for Cook County Holiday Bond Court. **Banks:** Major banks will be closed.

Transit: CTA, Metra and Pace will run on normal weekday schedules.

Libraries: All Chicago Public Library branches will be open during regular hours.

Sox execs charged

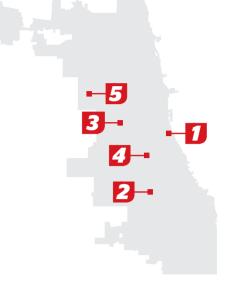
A former White Sox executive and two former team scouts were charged Wednesday with pocketing about \$400,000 in signing bonuses and contract buyouts intended for young, impoverished Latin American baseball prospects.

Pair of Loop streets reopen

Two Loop streets were reopened Wednesday after being closed for hours after reports of debris falling from a building, police said. Van Buren Street had been closed from Clark Street/Financial Plaza, and LaSalle Street had been closed from Van Buren to Congress.

Emanuel target of egging?

Mayoral hopeful Rahm Emanuel almost ended up with egg on his face Wednesday during a handshaking stint in the Little Village area. Someone in a passing car threw an egg toward him and a crowd of media members.



Homicide tracker

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

The South and West Sides each saw two homicides in the past week, a RedEye analysis of preliminary police data found.

On the West Side, a 54-year-old man was shot to death Wednesday in the 5200 block of West Lake Street in Austin, police said. A 19-year-old man was fatally shot four days earlier in the 2300 block of South Albany Avenue in South Lawndale, officials said.

On the South Side, a 20-year-old man was shot to death Friday in the 7800 block of South Emerald Avenue in Auburn Gresham, police said. A 23-year-old man was fatally shot a day earlier in the 3200 block of South Lake Shore Drive in Douglas, officials said.

Meanwhile, a 22-year-old woman was shot to death Monday in the 5000 block of South Morgan Street in New City on the Southwest Side, police said.

Eight homicides have been recorded this month, according to data. Police recorded 36 homicides in November 2009, RedEye determined. TSWARTZ@TRIBUNE.COM

Homicides from Nov. 3 to 4 p.m. Wednesday; all locations had one victim.

- 3200 BLOCK OF S. LAKE SHORE DR. Date: Nov. 4 Cause: Gunshot
- 7800 BLOCK OF S. EMERALD AVE.
 Date: Nov. 5 Cause: Gunshot
- 2300 BLOCK OF S. ALBANY AVE. Date: Nov. 6 Cause: Gunshot
- **5000 BLOCK OF S. MORGAN ST.**Date: Nov. 8 Cause: Gunshot
- 5200 BLOCK OF W. LAKE ST. Date: Nov. 10 Cause: Gunshot

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Report: Cargo bombs would have detonated over East Coast

1 LONDON An explosive device found in a cargo plane in England last month probably would have exploded over the Eastern Seaboard of the U.S. had it not been discovered, Scotland Yard said Wednesday.

The device was primed to explode about six hours after it was found, a U.S. counter-terrorism source told CNN.

"Forensic examination has indicated that if the device had activated it would have been at 10:30 hrs [British Sum-

mer Time] on Friday, 29 October 2010," the Scotland Yard statement said. "If the device had not been removed from the aircraft the activation could have occurred over the eastern seaboard of the U.S.'

Al-Oaida in the Arabian Peninsula, the Yemen-based arm of the al-Qaida terrorist network, claimed responsibility last week for the plot to

send explosive devices on cargo planes bound for the U.S.

White House spokesman Nick Shapiro said the findings by British authorities "underscore the serious nature of the attempted [al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula] attack and the challenge we all face in trying to prevent or disrupt such attacks.'

Shapiro cited "the collective efforts of many dedicated intelligence and law enforcement professionals" in the UK, the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and the U.S. for disrupting the attacks.

"The United States will continue to work closely with these partners and the government of Yemen to address and counter the threat posed by [al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula]," Shapiro said.



Soldiers stand guard last week at the departure lounge of Sanaa International Airport in Yemen. Security at the airport has increased since two packages stuffed with explosives were found on cargo planes bound from Yemen to the U.S. REUTERS

'Blackout' drink banned in Washington

OLYMPIA, Wash. The Washington State Liquor Control Board on Wednesday banned the sale of alcoholic energy drinks after the so-called "blackout in a can" beverage sickened nine college students. The ban is effective Nov. 18.

Last month, nine Central Washington University students were hospitalized after an off-campus party.

The students said they got sick after drinking Four Loko, a caffeinated malt liquor also known as "blackout in a can," according to a police investigation.

Investigators concluded that none of the students was drugged or given alcohol without their knowledge, according to a school statement.

The findings convinced university President James Gaudino to ban "alcohol energy drinks" from his campus.

Dad: Son will break record

This year a 13-year-old from California became the youngest person to summit Mount Everest. Now a 9-year-old Nepalese boy says he can do it, his dad says. Sherpa Pemba Dorie recently boasted that his grade-schooler will attempt the climb in 2011

School threat lifted in Fla.

Police lifted the lockdown on schools in Broward County, Fla., on Wednesday after receiving information that a threat to the facilities had diminished, authorities said. Schools had been secured after a radio station caller issued a threat

Flooding death toll nears 200

The death toll from flooding in Thailand now stands at 185, the government said Wednesday. Thailand's Disaster, Prevention and Mitigation Department said the count takes place in a period that began Oct. 10.

Clinton discusses **Palestine**

Secretary 6 of State Hillary Clinton said Wednesday the U.S. does not support a unilateral move by Palestinians to declare a Palestinian state. The furor over settlements has torpedoed peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians.

THE DIGIT 2.5 years

A Chinese court sentenced an activist to two-and-a-half years in jail Wednesday after he helped organize parents following the country's tainted-milk scandal.



sports

Phoenix 2, Blackhawks 1

The Hawks did it again. They gave up two goals within 35 seconds in suffering their fourth straight loss at the United Center.

Fantasy one-timers

What do Dexy's Midnight Runners, 4 Non Blondes and Seyi Ajirotutu all have in common? They're all one-hit wonders, of course. Little known Ajirotutu had his one-hit wonder Sunday when he managed a 111yard, two-touchdown performance for San Diego. With Antonio Gates, Malcom Floyd and Legedu Naanee back this week, don't expect another explo-



sion from Ajirotutu and these other one-hit wonder candidates.

- » Jacoby Ford, Oakland wide receiver: Ford had six catches for 148 yards and returned a kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown in Week 9, but he has only four catches for 37 yards in all other games. He probably shouldn't be on your roster yet.
- » James Jones, Green Bay wide receiver: Jones caught eight passes for 123 yards and a touchdown Sunday, but he got a start only because the usually dependable Donald Driver was out with an injury. When Driver returns, bench Jones.
- » Javarris James, Indianapolis running back: Fourth-stringer James scored two touchdowns but had just four carries for 12 yards Sunday. When Joseph Addai or Mike Hart return, James sits.
- » Randy McMichael, San Diego tight end: As is the case with most one-hit wonders, McMichael was the beneficiary of a starter's injury. Since Antonio Gates appears to be coming after the bye week, don't bother picking up McMichael.

CRUSHES

Peyton Hillis, Cleveland running back: OK, OK, I'm finally a believer.

Jacob Tamme, Indianapolis tight end: With Dallas Clark out and much of Indy's receiving corps banged up, Peyton Manning is relying more on his new starting tight end.

CRASHES

Danny Woodhead, New England running back: He's been a nice story so far, but look for
Woodhead to be bottled up against Pittsburgh this
week

Greg Olsen, Bears tight end: He gave his fantasy owners false hope last week. He's too inconsistent this year to be counted on.

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New All-Star format no problem for Kane

The NHL and NHLPA officially announced plans Wednesday to dramatically alter the selection process for the NHL All-Star Game, beginning with this year's event in Raleigh, N.C.

The conference vs. conference format will be replaced by a player draft, conducted by the All-Star players themselves, to determine the 2011 NHL All-Star Game and SuperSkills competition. Fans still will select the top six All-Stars by position and the remaining 36 All-

Stars will be selected by NHL Hockey Operations Department. Then it gets interesting as two captains will draft players for their teams.

"It's different," said Blackhawks winger Patrick Kane, a former All-Star. "It could be pretty cool. Sometimes it's good to have a little bit different style for that kind of game. It should change it up and maybe make it more exciting. If I would be fortunate enough to go and be part of it, I wouldn't care where I got picked." TRIBUNE





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Brett Favre sees some of himself in Jay Cutler

Old gunslinger meets new gunslinger Sunday at Soldier

The Minnesota Vikings and Bears will get together in the first meeting this season between the NFC North rivals, and all eyes will be on the two passers. What else is new?

Does 41-year-old Brett Favre see similarities between himself and Jay Cutler, who share an agent and just last year became rivals in the division?

"I guess you're probably getting to the kind of riverboat gambler mentality," Favre said. "I think when you have a big arm you feel like you can throw it through any coverage, any window and, at times, you do. ...

"He's got that mentality of, 'Hey I don't care what just happened, I'm focusing on the next play and the next throw, the next game, whatever.' That's a great quality to have, so from that standpoint, yeah."

We see similarities between the two, too. Such as ...

INTERCEPTIONS

Favre: Leads the NFL all time with 330

Cutler: Led the NFL last season with 26

TRADE BAIT

Favre: Traded from Atlanta to Green Bay in 1992

Cutler: Traded from Denver to Chicago in 2009

HEAD SHOTS

Favre: Knocked out of a game this season after taking a shot to the chin that required stitches.

Cutler: Knocked out of a game this season after taking a hit to the head during a sack.

'SOUTH PARK' SPOOF

Favre: Captain Hindsight says of Favre's sexting scandal: "Tell Brett Favre he should have never sent actual pictures of his schlong."

Cutler: Broncos fans Stan and Kyle meet him, and Stan tells him "Nice to meet you. I mean, you kinda suck, but my dad says you might be good someday."

» The Bulls worked out Patrick Beverley and Sundiata Gaines on Wednesday, a source said, but haven't decided if they will add a 14th, non-guaranteed contract.

One will allow fans to purchase single-day tickets to all speedway events, including the NASCAR Sprint Cup race Sept. 18.

» Chicagoland Speedway introduced new policies Wednesday. Also, fans will be allowed to bring one soft-sided cooler per person into the grandstands.



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Bulls 98, Warriors 90

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THE BIG FI FVFN

RedEye rounded up fans/alums/students of every Big Ten school to give us their biased look at college football every Thursday during the season. Join their antics on Twitter using the hash tag #red10.

Time for some hard truths: What does your team do terribly?

What's the oddest way people have celebrated a win by your team?



Dana Mortensen



Illinois @danamarie26

Lose. I'd rather they lose by a whole bunch than these close games. It seems like such a waste.

My roommate and I went to Qdoba after every game. Odd to some, but just a regular Saturday for us.



Jim Hoff



Indiana

Win close games, We're 0-3 this season in Big Ten games decided by seven points or fewer.

Imagine hearing, "We just beat Arkansas State! Who's wants to celebrate?" Fail.



Tony Gatz



@tonygatz

Put opposing teams away early, except Michigan State ...

Tear down and steal the goalposts from the Metrodome after beating the Gophers.



Victor H. Soto



Michigan @vicsoto

I don't think anyone has noticed but it's our offense. How do you only drop 67 on Illinois?

My buddy went out for drinks, which was odd since he was watching a replay on a Monday.



Adamski



Michigan State @JulieThereseA Apparently we need a horrible first half in order to win a game.

No couch is safe after a victory! Or you know, the occasional streaking by Beaumont Tower.



Bekki Chapman



Minnesota @bekkiic

Scoring more points than the opponent.

We'll let you know when we get a win.



Campbell



Northwestern @soupgirl

The second half.

games.

to have!

After a win over Michigan. we almost had the goalpost down. More frat guys. we could have done it.

In college, a neighbor

middle of the street.

set a couch on fire in the



Brad Obermeyer



Ohio State @SirBardley

Patrick Penn State Hire head coaches with less than 400 collegiate wins. It's a good problem

National championship

PSU beat OSU and I danced with Ewoks and Chewbacca, Man, what was in that rum punch?



Andrea Gush



Purdue @acbailiff

@NittLion78

We're 0-2 against teams from Ohio this season; party time!

Drummers for "the world's largest drum" drank beer from their helmets after winning an opening game.



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Wisconsin

Take down goalposts. An axe and a swarm of fans have both failed this season.

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The same way I once stopped a burglar in my home: Tickling.



MATTPAIS

Free tattoos on the sideline.

SARAH KUSTOK

Give him a big contract. It's stopped most Bulls players.

MARTY DOWNES

Defense. Clone Joakim Noah.

five on five

Taj Gibson is to the Bulls as ...

How do the Bulls stop the NBA's

leading scorer in Monta Ellis of

... George Harrison was to the Beatles, their fourthleading scorer.

... Mel Gibson is to a deserted island. Let's keep 'em there

... Hammer pants were to

... fantasy football is to the NFL. Could survive without it. but it makes things a lot better.

... Khloe is to the Kardashians.

How will you celebrate when the Blackhawks actually have all of their players healthy?

By continuing to mourn this mediocre team.

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Wish them good luck: "Break a leg!"

Wild night on the town. Won't be taking any cabs or limos though.

I'll take off my sympathy medial collateral ligament brace. #onegoal

Maybe they could make a

pink basketball? They did

What should college basketball do to grab more of the spotlight this time of year?

Pre-emptively name Kansas the national champion.

Sabotage midterm elections before they happen. Or let Gus Johnson run for office.

Welcome to camp, Sarah. sweaters. I mean, fondue

Duke and Michigan State try their hand at Slamball. Let the Duke basketball team throw a party with their lacrosse buddies.

everything pink in football last month.

Everyone welcome CSN's Sarah Kustok to the Five on Five panel in your own special way.

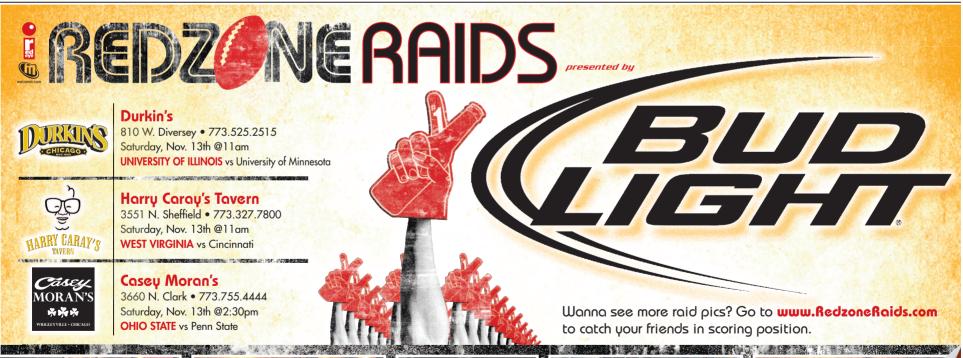
I've got a burrito with your name on it. Please stop writing your name on my burritos.

OK, I'm going to fondle my with cheddar.

Thanks for having me!

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Love you Sarah Grace Kustok!



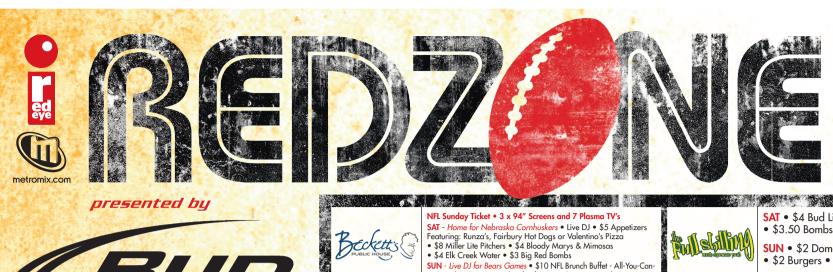






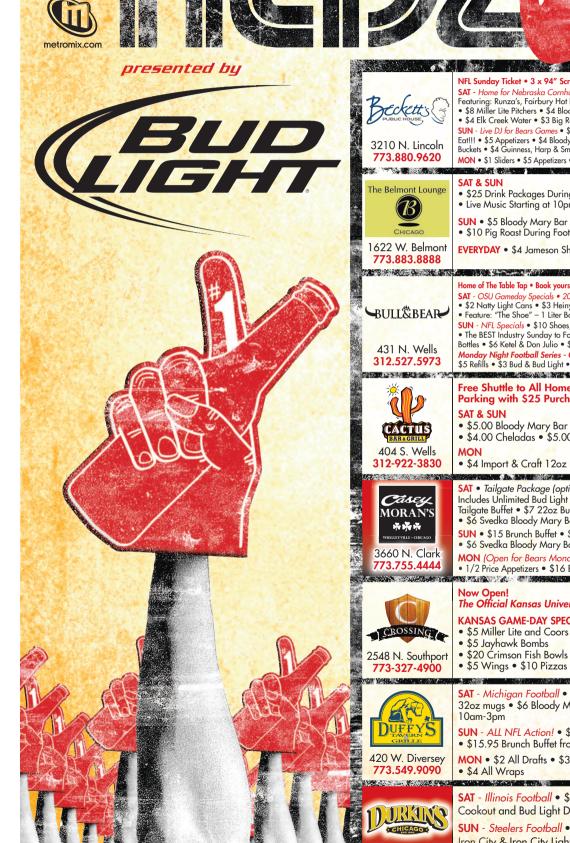






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Welcome the weekend with a new round of bars

By Lisa Arnett

From a high-energy Goose Island club to a laidback lounge in Lakeview, the nightlife scene's latest additions are sure to breathe some new life into your weekend plans.

NOW OPEN

Hearts

1115 N. Branch St. 312-915-0734

A red carpet and huge stainless steel doors mark this out-of-the-way Goose Island club from the owners of downtown hangouts Sound Bar, Y and Crescendo. Back-lit images of figures jamming out with guitars, a disco ball-outfitted dance floor, shadowy red lighting and lingerie-clad dancers aim to inspire clubbers to party like rock stars.

Blokes & Birds

3343 N. Clark St. 773-472-5252

This two-floor bar takes its inspiration from England's public houses, but it's so much sleeker than your average pub. On opening weekend, it was already packed full of Lakeviewers seeking reprieve from the Jager bomb-fueled Wrigleyville debauchery happening just a few blocks away. Tip: Stay upstairs if you want to order drinks such as Breakfast at Tiffany's (a grapefruit-pineapple-lavender concoction, \$11) from the craft cocktail list, as they aren't served in the basement bar.

Bangers & Lace

1670 W. Division St. 773-252-6499

The gents behind this craft beer and sausage bar—Jason Freiman and Nick Podesta (Lumen, Duchamp) with Matt Eisler and Kevin Heisner (Bar DeVille, Nightwood)— know how to deliver a hangout that's equal parts cool and delicious. They're living up to our expectations here with a killer beer list, tasty sausages and salty snacks such as ham-roasted peanuts and pretzels with stout mustard.

Downtown

440 N. State St. 312-464-1400

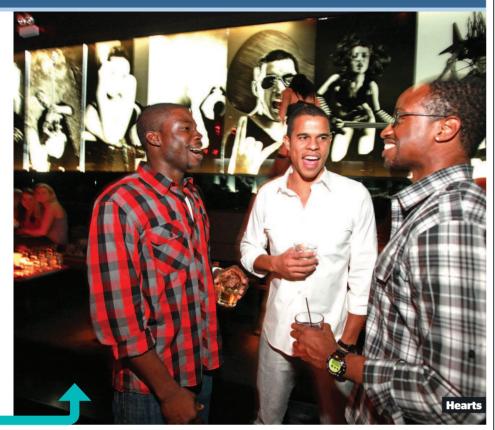
This River North gay bar from Brian Martin (former general manager at Eve) has taken up residence in the space that was most recently the Lucky Lady, but before that, Gentry. More so than a gay bar, Martin hopes Downtown will be an "all bar," a term he and his friends use to describe a crowd that keeps you guessing. A rare find for beer fans: Delirium Tremens on tap.

THETICKER

Get more need-to-know nightlife news at chicagonow.com/bottleblond

» Blue Star Wine Bar (1209 N. Noble St.) in Noble Square recently rolled out a new food menu.

» Old Town Social (455 W. North Ave.) is now hosting living music on Wednesday nights from 8-11 p.m. » Paradise Cantina, the tropical bar working toward a winter opening at 1212 N. State Parkway, is opening a second location at 2015 W. Division St.



MORE RECENT OPENINGS

- » The owners of palatial West Loop restaurant Alhambra Palace have carved out a space inside for Palace Nightclub (1242 W. Randolph St. 312-666-9555).
- » Former bar Boni's has been reborn as Bonny's Bar (2417 N. Milwaukee Ave.), a spruced-up late-night tavern from Boiler Room general manager Andy Gould with Boiler Room/Simone's Bar owner Russ Grant.
- » Neighborhood bar and grill Aberdeen Tap (440 N. Aberdeen St. 312-929-3845) recently opened in West Town.

THE COUNTDOWN

Stay tuned for these openings

Nov. 11

Rudy's Bar & Grille Specialty burgers in the Loop from Rudy Malnati Jr. of Pizano's

Mid-to late November Maude's Liquor Bar Frenchy eats and drinks

in the West Loop

260 Sports Bar

Bridgeport sports pub from the owners of Ricobene's

Moe's Cantina Downtown sib of the Latininspired Wrigleyville bar

Public House

Brewery A beer-centric River North bar from the owners of Bull & Bear

Late November

Leader Bar Irving Park pizza and beer bar from the owner of Uberstein and Maxbar

December

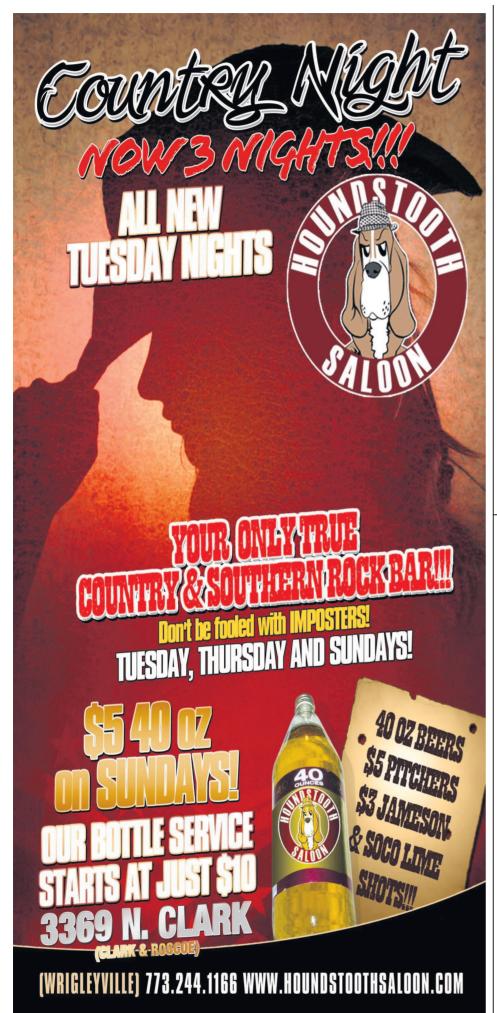
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Last weekend, we got our Anglophile on at Blokes & Birds, Lakeview's new laid-back, Brit-loving lounge, by craig seymour



What brings you out tonight?

I came here for a good bourbon. I got an 18-yearold whiskey, and it was quite delicious. I'm about to have another one.

How would you describe the vibe of this place?

It's really relaxed. No one's really pretentious or anything like that. Friendly service. It's just a really comfortable environment.

Would you ever use the words "bloke" or "bird" in casual conversation?

No, but they're pretty hilarious words. They should be brought up more often. There's an artist named The Streets and he uses "birds" a lot. As soon as I heard about this place, I thought of



What are you drinking and why?

I'm drinking the Allagash White. I've sampled a few beers, and this is the best one by far-fruity, quenching and delicious.

Since we're at Blokes & Birds, what is the most bird-like thing about you?

I like to sit on tree branches, or I did when I was a kid.

As an art teacher, do you have any suggestions for a good art project to do while drinking?

Oh my gosh, there's something called blind contouring, where you put a blindfold on and draw the person next to you. So then when you end up looking at your picture, it's a big old mess.



What brings you out tonight?

Great beer, amazing food and an amazing atmosphere. It's really so much fun here.

How would you describe the vibe here?

It's like a very chic, upscale English pub.

What's the most bird-like thing about you?

I don't eat like a bird; I don't fly like a bird; but I sure look good like a bird. [Laughs]



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Maria's Packaged Goods & Community Bar

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We adore this rough-around-theedges Bridgeport bar even more now that DJ Joe Bryl stops in to spin the most random of beats under various monikers.

Hearts

1115 N. Branch St. 312-915-0735 Scenesters are clamoring to check out this out-of-the-way Goose Island club from the owners of River North's club hub that is Sound Bar, Y and Crescendo.

Owen & Engine

2700 N. Western Ave. 773-235-2930

This Logan Square pub continues to earn fans thanks to super-sweet staffers who know their stuff when it comes to beer.

Longman & Eagle

2657 N. Kedzie Ave. 773-276-7110

Logan Square fans are going back for dessert, thanks to the addition of pastry chef Jeremy Brutzkus (formerly of Tru and now-defunct Coco Rouge).

Vincent

1475 W. Balmoral Ave. 773-334-7168

It's clear how much care Chef Joncarl Lachman has put into this Dutch-inspired Andersonville restaurant. We're loving the booze, the brunch and the lamb burgers.

THURSDAY \$5 DEALS

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Mother Z's

Relative composition

Chicago brother-sister duo the Mother Z's answered our Chi-Tunes questionnaire in the "about" section at chicagonow.com/chi-tunes. Do the same and your band could appear in RedEye and Metromix!

What makes your live show great?

I often start the evening by saying, "It's going to be this adorable all night folks." ... We're a brother-and-sister act, so we kind of can't help having a certain chemistry onstage. Plus, we only come on with an acoustic guitar and a snare, and we have you shakin' it by the end of the

Describe your sound in five words or less. Homemade soul, son!

Tell us something random about the band, and why that's significant.

We have a secret handshake we call "cappin' it," where whoever initiates the handshake forms the bottom half of a "Z" and the other forms the top. We do it all the time, and it's kind of lame. Why is this significant? Because we're The Mother Z's, naturally.

Whom would you want to work with, and with whom would you never work? Why?

I'd like to work with breakfast places like Ohio House, Golden Nugget etc. to organize a tour. We kinda hate being out so late for shows, so this way we could play in the morning. Plus, I've always thought we were a kind of a get-up-and-get-your-daygoing type of band.

If the band were a cartoon character, whom would it be and why?

Probably Wimpy from "Popeye" because he seems jolly and generally an affable fellow, but you can tell he's down to clown.

What's the best album you've heard re-

Mother Z's

When: 8 p.m. Thursday Where: Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave.

With: The Workhorse Kings, Fight The Quiet, Dan Tedesco and the Long Haul Tickets: \$8 at elboroomchicago.com Listen to "Sweater Weather" at chicagonow.com/chi-tunes.

"Recent" might not be the best word to describe the music I listen to. I really liked Bon Iver's "For Emma, Forever ago," but that's not exactly recent.

What song do you never want to hear

It's not that I never want hear this song again, but if somebody covers "Hallelujah" at an open mic night again, I am just going to snap.

What is Chicago's best music venue and whv?

We've made ourselves quite at home at Elbo Room. Nice folks, not too big of a room and it holds a little nostalgia for us as it was one of the first two places we played in the city.

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773-281-4444.

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FAIRMONT, **THE WORKHORSE** KINGS, FIGHT THE QUIET, DAN **TEDESCO AND** THE LONG HAUL, THE MOTHER Z'S

8 p.m. \$8. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

HOLLUS, THE SWEEPS. **ABSINTHE AND THE DIRTY** FLOORS, **AKUDAMA** 11 p.m. \$5. Reggie's Music Joint, 2105 S. State St.

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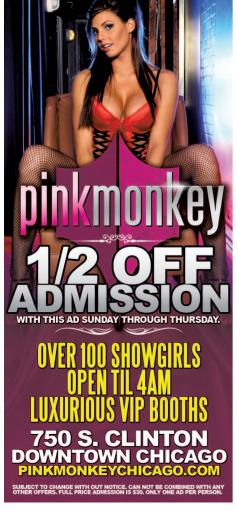
Cee Lo "The Lady Killer" Elektra Records

Listening to Atlanta soul man Cee Lo Green's latest, one gets the sense that he was born in the wrong era. Green, who burst into the national consciousness with Gnarls Barkley a partnership with producer Danger Mouse that netted an all-time classic tune in the strutting

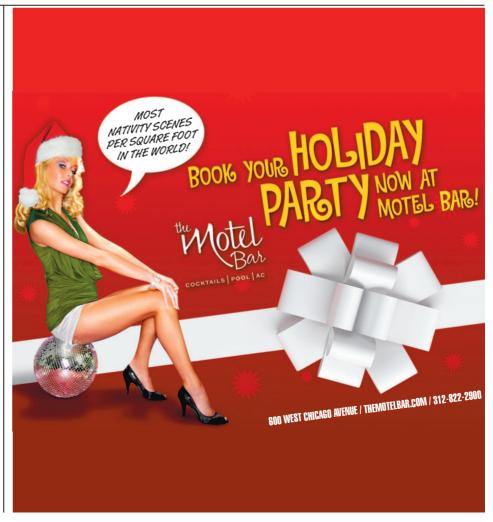
"Crazy"—sings about dying chivalry, compares himself to out-of-date gaming equipment ("She's an Xbox/I'm more Atari") and, on the aptly titled "Old Fashioned," delivers a swooning, string-drenched ballad that harkens to the era of classic soul men such as Otis Redding and Sam Cooke.

Not that the album is some exercise in retro-cool. Green, christening himself "The Lady Killer" in spite of his party-keg build, shows off his honeyed pipes on prowling cuts (the neon synth-laden "Bright Lights Bigger City"), lovelorn pleas ("I Want You") and riotous kiss-offs ("[Expletive] You"). Stick around 'til the end for a soaring cover of Band of Horses' "No One's Gonna Love You" that blasts the backwoods gem into the cosmos.

ANDY DOWNING, SPECIAL TO METROMIX









Waukegan brothers use their special effects expertise to create alien attack thriller 'Skyline'

By Matt Pais

METROMIX

Less than a year. That's how much time will have passed between the conception of the sci-fi thriller "Skyline" and its Friday release.

Maybe that turnaround would seem doable for an intimate drama. But to keep things moving quickly for their special effects-driven story about an alien invasion, brothers and Waukegan natives Greg and Colin Strause shot the entire film at Greg's condo building in Marina del Rey, Calif.

The shooting budget was under \$1 million of the final budget, which came in under \$10 million. The brothers note that for a movie like this, that's normally the price of just one actor or the special effects budget alone.

Fortunately, they've got impressive experience under their belts. The Strauses, who both live in the L.A. area, have worked on special effects for films such as "Avatar," "Titanic" and "2012," along with directing "Alien vs. Predator: Requiem" and music videos for artists

such as Usher, 50 Cent and Nickelback.

From their office in Santa Monica, 35-yearold Greg and 34-year-old Colin talked about battling with aliens, living in Chicago and preferring predators to aliens.

If there is life on other planets:

Colin: For how many stars and planets and how big the universe is, the chance that we're the only schmucks out here I think is pretty low... Like people said before, if anyone does find us, chances are they're probably not going to be too kind to us. 'Cause we definitely wouldn't be too kind to them.

If aliens would just be happy to find some company in the universe:

Colin: Depends on how hungry [they] are. We might be very delicious; you have no idea. ... I just worry what would happen when they run out of Doritos. That would not be good for us.

Working together and what their jobs were

on "Skyline":

Greg: It's interesting. At this point, Colin and I, we often finish each other's sentences. The split up [of tasks] when we're directing, we pretty much do every job. ... [The small budget] required Colin and I to wear a lot of hats and actually sit on the computers and do a lot of work. One thing that Colin does that I don't is Colin would sit there in the 3-D department, and he did all the lighting, designed the shading systems and then all the creatures. So the way everything looks—even the planes, the ships, all the creatures, any of the effects—Colin designed all these shaders for this stuff. That's rather unique.

When their parents came to visit them in California:

Colin: Literally my dad was like, "OK, forget this. I'm selling the snowblower." And they sold [their] house a week later and they live in Santa Monica now. ... When I left the city, I was only like 18 so I didn't really get to enjoy Chicago for what it is 'cause you couldn't

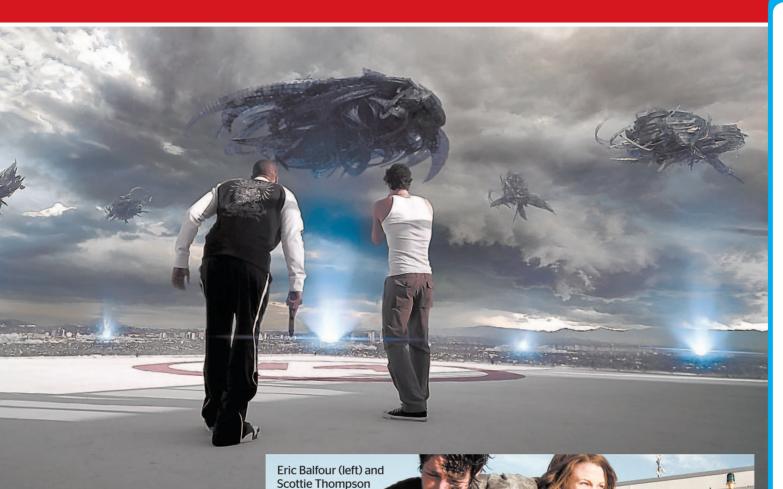
really get in any of the cool places. [When] I left, it was '95, maybe beginning of '96. I remember the day I got on the airplane; it was like one of the coldest days. It was something like 35-below with wind chill. The day I was flying to L.A., I was like, "OK, that's gotta be an omen. 'Cause it's [bleeping] cold and I'm going somewhere warmer."

What they miss about Chicago:

Colin: Best [bleeping] hot dogs ever. Best pizza ever. I do get pizza shipped out here from Giordano's or Pizza Capri or some of those places. I'm actually doing that for my birthday this week; I'm going to get some pizza flown out. I miss that. That's something that L.A. does not have is good pizza.

If the head-to-head conflict of "Alien vs. Predator: Requiem" found its way offscreen to their relationship:

Colin: I think I threw a table at Greg during that movie. Had some heated discussions. Part of it too is when you're making a studio



movie, there's a lot of frustration, there's a lot of pressure, there's a lot of masters that you're trying to please. There's a lot of [bleep] you can't do that you want to do. I think [on "Skyline"], there was one day where we didn't have our lunch and our blood sugar might have been a little low and we were sick or something.

How they did making "Skyline":

Colin: No one threw any tables on this movie. We had a few jokes about it, but I can't tell you how [bleeping] sweet the shoot went.

What makes "Skyline" different from a movie like "Independence Day":

Colin: The fact that everything's organic. They're not metal ships or creatures. Literally everything is a giant piece of organic material.

If they'd each rather be an alien or a predator:

Colin: I like the predator. We both really like the predator.

Greg: Isn't that why so many of the kids [bleeping] yelled at us on the last movie, because the predator kicked the alien's ass so easily?

Colin: Well, but the predator's got more

personality. He is an actual cultured person. I like the rituals, that level of complexity. The alien to me is such a swarm; it's not about the individual.

Greg: I always saw Colin and [saw] something that was born from a facehugger. **Colin:** Thanks.

So they'd both choose the Predator?

run for cover

in "Skyline."

Colin: Pretty much, yeah. And then we'd go beat a bunch of dumb aliens' asses. "Aliens" is one of my top favorite movies ever made, but I never rooted for the aliens. You rooted for the people; you're rooting for Ripley. Whereas in "Predator," for some reason I actually kinda liked seeing the predator win.

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Planning ahead

The Strause brothers—Greg (below left) and Colin—already have completed a 40-page treatment for a possible sequel to "Skyline." ROGUE PICTURES PHOTOS

Small budget, big effects

Los Angeles Times

Visual effects artists Colin and Greg Strause have toppled digital elephants in "300," aged Brad Pitt backward for "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" and cloned one actor into identical twins for "The Social Network."

Now the brothers have developed, financed and directed "Skyline," eventually selling it to Relativity Media, whose Rogue Pictures will release the alien attack drama Friday.

"Skyline," which isn't being screened for critics, unfolds in and around Marina del Rey, Calif., when a group of young adults awakens in an apartment to discover that L.A. is being ransacked by some unfriendly intergalactic visitors. Using a massive, seductive blue light beam, the interlopers suck up countless thousands of locals into their hovering spaceships, where worse things await.

Led by Jarrod (Eric Balfour), the group of 30-somethings in the apartment scramble for cover, watching as the U.S. military struggles to drive out the invaders.

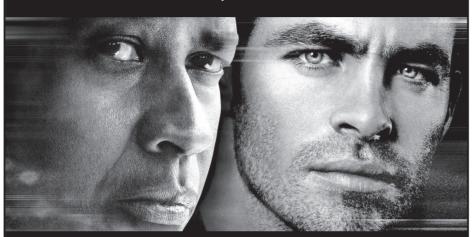
The dialogue in the screenplay by Joshua Cordes (who has worked as an animation supervisor for the brothers) and Liam O'Donnell (a visual effects consultant) is unlikely to attract much critical praise. Typical lines include: "Oh my God!" "I can't believe this!" "It just doesn't seem real!" "Oh my God, oh my God!" and "Like it or not, this is happening!"

But given the film's limited budget and a quick 42 days of principal photography, audiences (and studio executives) should be impressed by "Skyline's" elaborate visual tricks, some 900 effects shots that include rocket-firing stealth fighters, crashing helicopters, a nuclear explosion and aliens that look like flying metallic squids.



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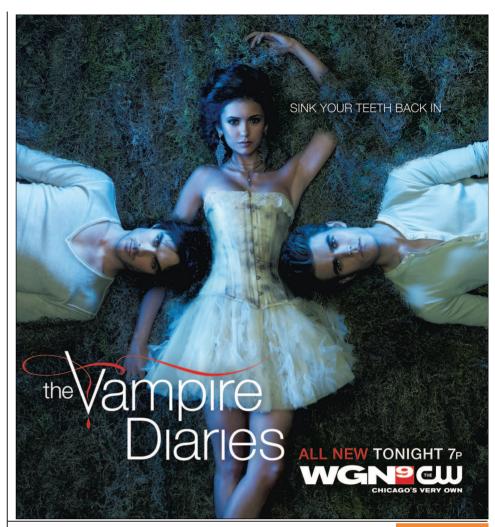


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'Charlie St. Cloud'

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Based on the 2004 novel from Ben Sherwood. this drama centers on Charlie (Zac Efron), an accomplished sailor who receives a full scholarship to Stanford. After graduating, he's faced with a

tragic loss in his family. Extras include deleted scenes, two features about Ffron's work on the film and an audio commentary by director Burr Steers.

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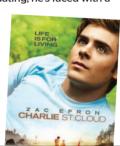
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■ Hed (PG-13) 1:45,7:10
■ The Social Network (PG-13) 12:10,3:20,6:20,9:30
■ The Town (R) 12:15,3:05

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■ Vision: From the Life of Hildegard von Bingen(NR)

■ Inside Job (PG-13) 4:30,7:00,9:30

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For Colored Girls (R) 10:00,1:10,4:25,7:40,10:55

Megamind: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG)

Saw 3D (R) 10:45,1:25,3:50,7:30,10:05

■ Paranormal Activity 2 (B) 8:40.10:55

AMC Independent Conviction (R) 10:05.1:05.4:00.7:05.10:20

■ AMC Independent **Hereafter** (PG-13) 1:05,7:15,10:25

Jackass 3D (R) 10:00 P.M

Red (PG-13) 11:05.1:50.4:50.7:50.10:50

■ Life as We Know It (PG-13) 10:30,1:25,4:15

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■ The Social Network (PG-13) 1:00,4:10,7:15,10:00

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Jackass 3D (R) 10:05 P.M

■ Red (PG-13) 2:10.10:15

■ 100 Voices: A Journey Home Encore (NR) 7:00

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Jackass 3D (R) 10:30 P.M

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■ Fair Game (PG-13) ★ 9:30 P.M.

■ Fair Game (PG-13) ★ 1:15,4:10,7:20,10:00

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■ Red (PG-13) 2:15,5:15,8:10,11:15

■ Waiting for Superman (PG-1) 12:20 P.M.

■ The Social Network (PG-13) 2:20,5:10,8:00,10:55

■ The Town (R) 12:40,3:30,6:30

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■ Due Date (R) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 12:30,9:00,11:30 ■ For Colored Girls (R) ★ VIP Premium 21+ 1:00,3:00, 4:00,6:00,7:00,10:15

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■For Colored Girls (R) ★ 11:40,1:20,2:45,2:5,5:0,7:30,8:55,10:35

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■Skyline (PG-13) ★ 12:01 Midnight

■Conviction (R) 11:45,2:15

■Hereafter (PG-13) 11:25,1:55,4:50,7:25,10:10

■Jackass 3D (R) 7:55,10:25

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- pain or pleasure
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- 56 Capitol Hill group 60 Spice rack jar
- 61 Use an ax
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- 64 Connects 65 Assistant
- 66 Fight off
- 67 Angled pipes 68 Close at hand
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- 27 Lean 28 Mishmash
- 29 Skillful 32 Expect; look for
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- 36 Ivy League school 38 Harsh; cruel 40 Vice President Joe
- 43 Old Roman statesman 45 Account books
- 48 Dance for a chorus line 50 Part of the eye
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- musical section
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By Dana Moran

EQUINITION GLAMOUFStars strut their best for CMA Awards

Wednesday's Country Music Association Awards brought the live country singing debut of Gwyneth Paltrow, who's starring in "Country Strong." The night's big honorees included Miranda Lambert, who took home prizes for female vocalist and album of the year, and Brad Paisley as entertainer of the year. Here are RedEye's votes for red-carpet standouts—and misses.



LADY ANTEBELLUM

Two classy tuxes bookending a reddish-pink geyser. We like the combination, especially because of the soft waves on top of Hillary Scott's dress.



Trend of the night

GOLD SEQUINS

We counted at least four ladies rocking flashy gold numbers Wednesday night, but former "American Idol" contestant Kellie Pickler won the award for enthusiasm in a long, low-cut number.



Most countrified outfit of the night

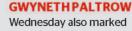
RORY LEE FEEK AND JOEY MARTIN FEEK OF JOEY + RORY

Rory Lee Feek's getup very well may be the first time we've seen overalls and plaid together on the red carpet. But they're a cute couple, so have at it!



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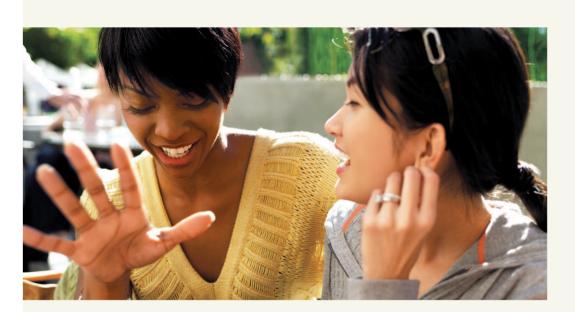
Country's sweetheart keeps it classy but adds a pop of WOW with a gorgeously draped red gown. Adult crooners, please take note.



ARRE

the debut of Paltrow in a terrifying ombré concoction. With sparkles. And a side cutout that looked like the designer's scissors slipped. This just wasn't her rodeo. GETTY IMAGES PHOTO

She has the I've traded up from a cube to an office, an apartment to a condo, and a boyfriend to a fiancé policy.



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Kong song

If you get in a fight, you might soon think twice before saying "it's on like 'Donkey Kong.' " Nintendo has filed a request to trademark the phrase, first used in the '90s by Ice Cube and later used by everyone from "American Wedding" to "Scott Pilgrim" to your little brother, cnn.com reports.



Thanks, Sarah Palin

Tina Fey (above) received the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor on Tuesday, and she has Sarah Palin to thank for it. "I would be a liar and an idiot if I didn't thank Sarah Palin for helping me get here tonight," said the "30 Rock" star, who at 40 is the youngest recipient of the award. "My partial resemblance and her crazy voice are the two luckiest things that have ever happened to me." Lorne Michaels, Jon Hamm, Steve Carell and Betty White were on hand for the Kennedy Center event. NBCFILE PHOTO

Kanye: Sorry, George

The George Bush-Kanye West beef has reached the "Today" show: "I would tell George Bush, in my moment of frustration, I didn't have the grounds to call him a racist," West said in an episode that aired Wednesday. "I appreciate that," Bush said in a separate interview. Afterward, West sent, like, 12 tweets saying the Matt Lauer interview was a sham. What's next?

THE DIGIT



That's the rank of Rihanna's "What's My Name?" in this week's Billboard Hot 100. It jumped from No. 60 to No. 1, giving her three songs this year to go to the top spot, the first time that's happened since 2008.

Martin GETTY IMAGES FILE fear."

LIVIN LA VIDA

Ricky Martin says that coming out as gay has been a freeing experience.

"I am literally for the first time in my life not manipulating information," he tells Ellen DeGeneres on Thursday's pre-taped episode of her talk show. He goes on to say that when he was 12 and in the boy band Menudo, his manager made him lie about his age.

"It was, 'Hi, I'm Ricky it's nice to meet you and I'm 11 years old.' I was already lying," Martin said.
"It's been a very intense, beauti-

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ful year of parenting, of doing work with my foundation, of being free of fear and not afraid of ear."

"The Ellen DeGeneres Show" airs at 3 p.m. on WMAQ-Ch. 5 (NBC).

"It would be difficult to be a stripper in that suit because it's almost impossible to get it off. It would be a three-hour striptease and you'd need at least five assistants onstage with you."

-Olivia Wilde, to Playboy about her "bad-ass" suit in "TRON: Legacy," out Dec. 17.

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